## IN RECOGNITION OF "HALE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY"

WHEREAS, Hale Street Baptist Church was founded at the corner of Hale and Elbert Streets, later named 4th Street, in the year 1878 by a prayer band of members organized by Reverend Henry Roundfield of Thankful Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Hale Street has served as a beacon in the Augusta community for one hundred and twenty-five years, committing herself to the advancement of her members and the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, Hale Street continues to educate children, feed the hungry, help the needy, and support and encourage the faithful under the leadership of Reverend James C. Kendrick, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Hale Street Baptist Church will celebrate its 125th Anniversary on Sunday, June 15, 2003 and will honor the families and saints of Hale Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2003 to be "HALE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH DAY" in Augusta, Georgia and urge all citizens to recognize Hale Street Baptist Church's 125 years of faithful Christian service to the Augusta area.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia to be affixed this 15th day of June 2003.